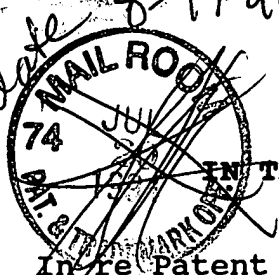


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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 21-24.

Please add the following new claims:

1 25. (NEW) A device for retaining a sample to be
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a first tubular member forming a sample cell, said
first tubular member having a first end, a second end, a
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